

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-79, 84-164 and 179-187 were pending. Claims 38, 67-79, 84-164 and 185 are hereby canceled. Claims 41, 44, 45, 49, 50, 61, 65, 66, 179, 182 and 183 have been amended to remove any dependencies from canceled claim 38. Therefore, upon entry of this amendment, which is respectfully requested, claims 1-37, 39-66, 179-184 and 186-187 will be pending.

The claims were subjected to a restriction requirement. Specifically, the claims were restricted to the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-37, 39-66, 179-184 and 186-187, drawn to computer conferencing and user interactive multicomputer data transfer;

Group II: Claims 38, 67-79, 84 and 185, drawn to user interface development or visual program; and

Group III: Claims 85-164, drawn to access rights to interactive controls or based on storage or user profile.

Applicants hereby elect Group I claims, specifically claims 1-37, 39-66, 179-184 and 186-187 for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 38, 67-79, 84, 85-164 and 185 have been canceled. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application to pursue prosecution of the canceled Group II and Group III claims.

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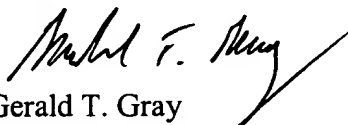
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

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